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MEMORANDUM

To: All Members of the Florida Senate

From: Senator JD Alexander, Chair

Subject: General Appropriations and Implementing Bill Deadlines

Date: March 30, 2011

The General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2010-2011, Senate Bill 2000, As Introduced, and the Appropriations Implementing Bill, Senate Bill 2002, As Introduced, will be available for distribution on Friday, April 1, 2011. The bills will be distributed to your offices in the Senate Office Building and will be available on the internet.

Senate Bill 2000 and Senate Bill 2002 will be placed on the Special Order Calendar as soon as possible to be considered by the Senate on April 6, 2011.

THE DEADLINE FOR FILING AMENDMENTS IS 3:00 P.M., MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011. (ROOM 201 CAPITOL)

THE DEADLINE FOR FILING AMENDMENTS TO AMENDMENTS AND SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENTS IS 12:00 noon, TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011. (ROOM 201 CAPITOL)

The amendment deadline for the other bills, including the conforming bills for the budget, on the Special Order Calendar will be governed by Senate Rule 7.1, as usual.

Please remember that all amendments to the general appropriations bill must be balanced. For an amendment to be balanced the <u>Senator</u> must identify the Specific Appropriation Line Item Number, the specific source of funding (general revenue or trust fund) within the line item, and the amount to be taken to fund your amendment. All amendments you request staff to prepare for SB 2000, the General Appropriations Bill, or for SB 2002, the Appropriations

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Implementing Bill, WILL BE FILED FOR YOU, unless you request otherwise. Amendments to all other bills on the Special Order Calendar should be filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

Please contact the professional staff in the appropriations committees for assistance in drafting your amendments to ensure that your amendments accomplish what you intend and are technically correct.